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For: PROLIFERATION OF HEPATOCYTE PRECURSORS

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the following Amendment and Response to the Examiner's Office Action dated June 20, 2000 in the above-cited application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1/20

Please add new qlaims as follows:

administering a genetically engineered hepatocyte precursor to the subject.

22. A method of treatment of liver dysfunction in a subject in need thereof comprising administering a genetically engineered hepatocyte precursor to the subject, with the proviso that

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